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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(*Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing*)

2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. Specification [Total Pages 23]
(*preferred arrangement set forth below*)
- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 4]

5. Oath and Declaration [Total Pages]
a. Newly executed (original or copy)
b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(*for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed*)
i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
Named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

Attorney Docket No. 1856-23101 (9595.0-01)

First Inventor Rafael L. Espinoza

Title Improved Catalysts for the Conversion of Methane to...

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all necessary*)
a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
ii. paper
c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of (*when there is an assignee*) Attorney

11. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)

15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)

16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

17. Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

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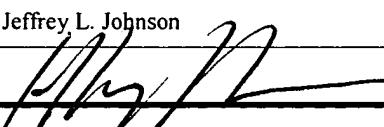
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